



Wireless
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Association

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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and Wireline Competition Bureau Seek Comment on WIA Petition for Rulemaking, WIA Petition for Declaratory Ruling, and CTIA Petition for Declaratory Ruling, WT Docket No. 19-250, RM-11849; Accelerating Wireless Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment, WC Docket No. 17-84.

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Wireless Infrastructure Association (WIA),¹ pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Federal Communications Commission's rules,² hereby provides notice that on October 3, 2019, the undersigned and Stephen Keegan, Law Clerk for WIA, met with Umair Javed, Legal Advisor for Commissioner Rosenworcel. Separately, the undersigned spoke by phone with Aaron Goldberger, Wireless and International Advisor for Chairman Pai.

During the meetings, WIA presented information and arguments regarding the pending Petition for Declaratory Ruling and Petition for Rulemaking on application of Section 6409 of the Spectrum Act, which have been consolidated into the proceeding mentioned above.³ Discussions pertained to information and arguments that are reflected in a previous *ex parte* filing.⁴ WIA discussed the applicability of the Spectrum Act to state and local authorities, and the need for the Commission to harmonize its rules to allow for limited compound expansions when collocating or replacing equipment on existing towers. These reforms will help improve public safety, and they will help speed deployments and 5G upgrades.

¹ The Wireless Infrastructure Association (WIA) is the principal organization representing companies that build, design, own, and manage telecommunications facilities throughout the world. WIA's members include infrastructure providers, carriers, and professional services firms.

² 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206.

³ Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 ("Spectrum Act"), Pub. L. No. 112- 96, 126 Stat. 156, 232-33 § 6409(a) (2012) (codified at 47 U.S.C. § 1455(a)).

⁴ Notice of *Ex Parte* Presentation from John A. Howes, Jr., WIA, WT Docket No. 19-250, RM-11849; WC Docket No. 17-84; WT Docket No. 18-197; GN Docket No. 17-83 (filed Oct. 2, 2019).

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, a copy of this letter is being filed via ECFS. Please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned with any questions.

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Respectfully submitted,

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